

**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES
JULY 16, 2015
HUDSON ROOM - 6TH FLOOR**

I Call to Order and Roll Call - 9:35 A.M.

A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Accountancy was convened in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Pursuant to those provisions, the proper notifications were made to the Office of the Secretary of State, the Camden Courier-Post, the Trenton Times, the Asbury Park Press, the Record, and the Star-Ledger. Board President, Daniel Geltrude called the meeting to order at 9:35 A.M. The following roll call was taken:

Richard C. Barlotta, PA	Present
Jorge A. Caballero, CPA	Present
John F. Dailey, Jr., CPA	Excused
Sara L. DeSmith, CPA	Present
Daniel J. Geltrude, CPA	Present
Dennis C. Meyerson, PA	Present
David J. Milkosky, CPA	Present
Harold Model, CPA	Present
Ainsley A. Reynolds, CPA	Excused
Michael H. Runge, CPA	Present

Also present at the meeting were Khaled Madin, Acting Executive Director; Tobey Palan, Deputy Attorney General, Melba Rodriguez, Secretarial Assistant; Marie Lisa, Staff; Brad Munoz, CPA, Past President, NJCPA and David Plaskow, Editor, NJCPA

II Minutes of the Meeting of May 21, 2015

On a motion made by Richard Barlotta, seconded by David Milkosky, the Board voted to approve the May 21, 2015 Public Session minutes as submitted. The vote of the Board was seven voting in favor with Sara DeSmith abstaining.

III President's Remarks

Board President Geltrude had no report for the Board.

IV Executive Director's Remarks

Executive Director Madin had no report for the Board.

V Robert Campanelli, Ethics Officer - Ethics Refresher

Robert Campanelli, Ethics Officer provided the Board members with an Ethics Refresher course.

VI Committee Reports

A CPA Examination Committee

Harold Model provided a report of the second quarter candidates performance on the Uniform CPA exam for the second testing window.

B Ethics Committee

Jorge Caballero had no report for the Board.

C CPE Committee

Daniel Geltrude had no report for the Board.

D RMA Committee

No report was provided.

E Peer Review Oversight Committee

Sara DeSmith reported to the Board that she and Larry Gray had attended NASBA's PROC Summit on July 10th to understand current developments surrounding PROC activities across the US. The NJ PROC will be meeting at 1pm today following the full Board meeting.

F Education Committee

No report was provided.

G Reciprocity Committee

Michael Runge had no report for the Board.

H Nominating Committee

Dennis Meyerson had no report for the Board.

I Statute/Rules/Regulations Committee

Richard Barlotta reported to the Board that he met with Mr. Caballero and Mr. Dailey following after the last Investigative Inquiry that was held and will be providing a report at the September Board meeting.

J Monitoring Profession Committee

David Milkosky had no report for the Board but would like to speak with DAG Palan in Executive Session.

VII Public Comments

Brad Munoz, CPA, Past President, NJCPA provided the report of the New Jersey Society of CPAs (NJCPA) on behalf of CEO Ralph Albert Thomas. Both Mr. Thomas and Mr. Kaszerman sent their regrets as they are attending an AICPA CPA/SEC Conference in Florida.

Mr. Munoz reported that the Society's Annual Convention and Expo at the Borgata in Atlantic City was a tremendous success as more than 900 members, sponsors, exhibitors and guests attended the 10th Convention. Convention highlights included four key note presentations which challenged members to think out of the box about the changing economic landscape and the impact of

disruptive demographics on the accounting profession. Eric Legrand, former Rutgers football player who sustained a career ending football injury wrapped up the keynote presentations by delivering an inspirational and motivational speech that challenged attendees to position themselves to make a difference by being innovative and not just settling for the status quo.

Since the last Board of Accountancy meeting in May, the NJCPA has been involved in the following activities:

- The Society's CEO along with the CEOs from the NJ State Chamber of NJBIA were presenters at a press conference at the State Capitol to express concerns and advocate against passage of a millionaires tax proposal which Governor Christie line item vetoed prior to approving the State's FY 2016 budget.
- Met with Rich Gallagher AICPA Director of Content CPA Examinations Team to obtain an update regarding proposed changes to the CPA Exam slated for January 2017. The proposed exam changes will be exposed the first or second week of September for a 90 day public comment period. As previously mentioned, the Society will have an Educators meeting on October 9th to review the exposure draft of the changes and discuss the possibility of issuing a comment letter on the proposed changes.
- Met with the Dean and Accounting Department Chair from William Patterson University to strategize about an action items to improve their students CPA Exam pass rate. The University has an accounting enrollment of more than 400 students.

The Society once again would like the Board to consider a previous recommendation we have made regarding the mandated NJ Law and Ethics course. That recommendation would be that the Board conducts periodic audits/reviews of providers approved to deliver the mandated NJ Law and Ethics program.

President Geltrude reported that the August 6, 2015 Investigative Inquiry and the August 20, 2015 Board meeting have been canceled. The next scheduled Board meeting will be held on Thursday, September 17, 2015.

On a motion made by Sara DeSmith, seconded Dennis Meyerson, the Board voted to adjourn the Public Session Board meeting at 9:40 A.M. to reconvene in Executive Session to discuss the results of the June 4th and July 9, 2015

Investigative Inquiries, two New Business matters, two Old Business matters, the PCAOB reports, one Ethics Committee matter and five Consumer Complaints. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

The Board re-opened Public Session to include:

On a motion made by Jorge Caballero, seconded by Michael Runge, the Board voted to authorize Executive Director to grant medical and military waiver of CPE for the current triennial renewal period. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Khaled Madin
Executive Director